IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO **WESTERN DIVISION AT CINCINNATI**

EDWARD SMITH,

Petitioner, CASE NO. C-1-01-814 :

JUDGE SUSAN J. DLOTT ٧.

MAGISTRATE PERELMAN ANTHONY BRIGANO, :

(CLEVELAND)

Respondent.

RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNTIL 2-19-04

Now comes Respondent, by and through counsel, and pursuant to Rule 6(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, respectfully moves this Court for an order granting an enlargement of time through and including February 19, 2004, in which to file a supplemental answer to show cause why the petition for writ of habeas corpus should not be granted.

Respectfully submitted

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

The Petitioner has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus with this Court. The Respondent's supplemental answer is due on February 12, 2004. pursuant to this court's order of January 19, 2004. Counsel for Respondent respectfully requests that she be granted an enlargement of time, through and including February 19, 2004, in which to file the additional answer. Counsel submits that she nearly completed the answer on February 12, 2004 but determined that additional research was required on one of Petitioner's claims that was never reviewed by the state court. Counsel believes that only a few hours will be required to resolve this question of law but submits this request for an additional week for the court's convenience in granting this motion.

The Respondent has not sought any prior extensions of time to file this supplemental answer.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Respondent's Motion for Extension of time was sent to Petitioner, Edward Smith, #346-408, Warren Correctional Institution, P.O. Box 120, Lebanon, Ohio 45036 via regular U.S. mail, postage prepaid, this 12th day of February, 2004.

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